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NOTES ON ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION OF SOVIET HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL SERVICE

The Central Construction Bureau, Main Administration of the Hydrometeorological Service, has been reorganized into the Scientific Research Institute of Hydrometeorological Instrument Building. A. I. Danilin was appointed acting director of the new institute by order of the chief, Main Administration of the Hydrometeorological Service.

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By order of the chief, Main Administration of the Hydrometeorological Service: 1) G. S. Ivanov was appointed acting director of the State Oceanographic Institute and 2) V. N. Sokolov was appointed acting director of the Central Scientific-Research Hydrometeorological Archives.

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The network of hydrometeorological stations and posts of the Main Administration of the Hydrometeorological Service improved its work in 1947. The plan for development of the network was exceeded by 12 percent. The plans for the following were among those exceeded: observations on growth of winter crops, freezing properties of soils, run-off, chemical composition of ~~water~~, mechanical composition of alluvia, field and office hydrographic works, ice-measuring and snow-measuring surveys, layout of datum points, production of sleet observations, etc. The number of stations operating with an "excellent" or "good" rating increased from 69 to 77, while the number operating with a "poor" rating decreased from 7 to 4. The corresponding increase for posts was from 77 to 87 percent, and the corresponding decrease was from 6 to 2 percent. In connection with their successful work, 41 workers of the Hydrometeorological Service network were awarded bonuses by order of the chief, Main Administration of the Hydrometeorological Service, while 61 received official thanks.

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